



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 336

LCO No. 1867

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPARENCY IN GOVERNMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 2-26 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 At each regular or special session of the General Assembly no bill or
4 strike-all amendment thereto shall be passed or become a law unless it
5 has been printed in its final form, as prescribed by section 2-24, with
6 the exception of germane amendments, and upon the desks of the
7 members at least two legislative days prior to its final passage, unless
8 the president pro tempore of the Senate and the speaker of the House
9 of Representatives have certified, in writing, the facts which in their
10 opinion necessitate an immediate vote on such bill or strike-all
11 amendment thereto, in which case it shall nevertheless be upon the
12 desks of the members in final form, accompanied by the fiscal note
13 required by section 2-24 when applicable, with the exception of
14 germane amendments, but not necessarily printed, before its final
15 passage.

16 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) No bill or amendment thereto
17 that creates an exception to an existing section of the general statutes
18 shall be acted upon by either house of the General Assembly if a public
19 hearing was not held on such bill or amendment, except that such
20 requirement shall not apply if two-thirds of the members of each house
21 vote in favor of waiving such requirement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	2-26
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To create transparency in the way that certain business of the General Assembly is conducted.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]